Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 25 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 26 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 25 Mar 2021 at 03:04 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for showery weather and colder for a time, then milder with occasionally wet weather from later Saturday, but low for timing of rain on Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Thursday 25 Mar 2021: Mainly cloudy morning with some showery rain and mountain snow then brighter in afternoon with sunny intervals but a few heavier showers possible.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 25 Mar 2021

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Dull	Sleet	Sleet	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	50%	50%	40%	70%

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Weather: A mostly cloudy morning, some patchy light rain or drizzle on western hills, with snow flurries above 700m rising to 900m. A brighter afternoon and early evening with sunny intervals but with a few heavy showers passing through, snow on the Munro tops. Showers merge to heavier more persistent rain and summit snow around midnight.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% until late morning then 30-40% in afternoon, 10% in the evening.

Visibility: Moderate, perhaps poor in the morning. General visibility then improving in the afternoon good clarity, but with but heavier showers will bring some spells of poor visibility in showers. Cloud: Layered around 500-750m with lower patches, at first with very poor summit visibility, then becoming broken bases generally rising 800-900m with a few patches to 700m near showers. Cloud may become more widespread again in the evening though towards Bennachie it should stay clearer.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	33/38 SW	39/46 SW	35/42 SW	36/44 SW	38/46 SW	42/51 S	44/54 SW
900	24/29 SW	30/37 SW	27/34 SW	28/36 SW	27/35 SW	30/39 S	31/41 SW
600	16/28 SW	21/33 SW	18/30 SW	19/31 SW	18/31 SW	19/35 S	20/36 SW
300	3/13 SW	10/22 SW	13/26 SW	12/24 SW	7/19 SW	10/25 S	14/30 SW
Glen	7/20 SW	13/25 SW	15/28 SW	15/29 SW	11/24 SW	9/23 SW	13/30 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-2/-12	-2/-12	-1/-9	0/-8	-0/-9	-0/-10	-1/-10
900	-0/-8	0/-8	2/-5	2/-4	2/-6	2/-6	1/-6
600	2/-4	3/-3	4/-1	5/-0	4/-1	4/-2	3/-2
300	4/2	6/2	7/4	8/5	6/4	6/3	6/2
Glen	4/2	6/2	8/5	9/6	7/4	6/4	6/3
Freezing Level*	700m	900m	1100m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Summit winds could be 10mph higher than the table shows.

Forecast for Friday 26 Mar 2021
Weather: A spell of heavier rain with snow on the Munro tops overnight, clear to showers by morning. Occasional showers during the day with some on the heavy side, with snow falling down to 400m and occasionally wintry to lower levels.

Maximum wind: Southwest 45 gusts 65mph in early hours then 30 gusts 45 mph during the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% overnight then 60% by day.

Visibility: Very poor overnight. By day occasionally very good but falling poor, perhaps briefly very poor in snow showers. Cloud by day broken at 750-900m but falling 500-700m in showers with the odd lower patch

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 at daybreak rising to Plus 6 between showers by day then dipping to zero in the evening.
At 800m: Plus 2 at midnight falling to Minus 2 by morning.
Freezing level: Above summits at midnight falling to 400m by morning.

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